GOD SAVE THE QUEEN

for Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee
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God save our gracious Queen!
Long live our noble Queen!
God save the Queen!
Send her victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us:
God save the Queen!

Monarchs have governed us,
Each had their smashing feats,
Hurdles they've fought.
Now Thou has favoured us,
With one most dear to us,
Long to reign over us,
ELIZABETH our Queen!

But in a world like this,
There is no lasting bliss,
Griefs rise anon:
Our Queen has been bereaved,
Her heart most sorely grieved,
Tidings of death received,
In her Palace-home.

Great loss this Prince has been,
To England and our Queen,
Children and friends:
This word in memoriam,
We humbly express for him,
Hearts still lament for him,
Philip the wise.

This is her Jubilee!
Joyful and glad are we
This year to see:
O may it be to her
A year of years to her,
Through one blest Jubilee,
Keep Thou our Queen!

Kindly she rules the State
Over the poor and great
Home and abroad:
Vast is her EMPIRE!
Greater than Ancient Rome
Stretching from zone to zone,
O powerful Queen!

Long years she'll reign alone,
Seated on England's Throne
Kept by Thy power:
And may ELIZABETH be
Crowned, aye, with victory
And her foes conquered be
By God all-wise.

And when our gracious Queen
From State and diadem
Parted must be,
May she exchange for this
A Crown of righteousness,
And reign in perfect bliss,
O God with Thee!